## Chapter 14

### LIBRARY\*

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<sup>\*</sup>Cross reference—Administration, ch. 2. State law reference—County library systems, G.S. 153A-261 et seq.

### ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

# Sec. 14-1. Operation of county library system according to state law provisions.

The operation of the county library system shall be pursuant to G.S. 153A-261 et seq. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 1)

# Sec. 14-2. Development and operation of county system; powers vested in board of trustees.

Such powers as are now provided by statutes of the state or by ordinance and/or resolution of the board of commissioners, relating to the development and operation of library systems are hereby vested in the board of trustees of the county library system, to be exercised by it subject to all restrictions contained in such statutes, ordinances or resolutions. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 11)

State law reference—Library board of trustees, G.S. 153A-265.

#### Sec. 14-3. Disbursement and deposit of funds.

Funds appropriated by the board of commissioners and budgeted to the county library system shall be disbursed by the finance officer upon purchase orders issued by the board of trustees of the county library system and within the budget appropriations made. Funds received by the library system from sources other than budget appropriations shall be deposited by the finance officer to the credit and for the use of the library system and disbursed as budget funds are disbursed, except that funds received by gift, bequest or otherwise shall be disbursed in accordance with the terms of such gift or bequest. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 8)

**State law reference**—Financing library systems, G.S. 153A-268.

### Sec. 14-4. Fiscal year of library system.

The fiscal year of the library system shall conform to that of the board of commissioners. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 10)

Secs. 14-5-14-35. Reserved.

#### ARTICLE II. BOARD OF TRUSTEES\*

#### Sec. 14-36. Creation.

There is hereby created a board to be known as the board of trustees of the county library system. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 2)

# Sec. 14-37. Appointment; composition; terms; vacancies; compensation.

The board of trustees shall be appointed by the board of commissioners and shall consist of nine members. The initial board of trustees shall consist of three members for terms to expire on June 30, 1981; three members for terms to expire on June 30, 1982; and three members for terms to expire on June 30, 1983. Upon the expiration of the original terms, each succeeding term shall be for three years and until such appointees' successors are appointed and qualify for office. Vacancies in the board of trustees shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment of the board of commissioners. The members shall serve without compensation.

(Ord. of 3-17-80, § 3)

### Sec. 14-38. Officers; rules, meetings.

The board of trustees of the county library system shall appoint from its membership a chair and such other officers as it may deem necessary for the orderly procedure of its business, and may adopt bylaws, rules and regulations governing its procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of county ordinances and state laws. The board of trustees shall, from time to time, make rules and regulations governing the operation and conduct of the library facilities operated by the board of trustees. The board of trustees shall hold regular meetings at such times and places as it may designate. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 4)

## Sec. 14-39. Maintenance, operation and supervision of facilities.

The board of trustees of the county library system shall provide, maintain, operate and supervise the

\*Cross reference—Administration, ch. 2. State law reference—Authority to appoint a board of trustees, G.S. 153A-265. library facilities owned or controlled by the board of commissioners or leased or loaned to the board of trustees by the owners thereof. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 5)

# Sec. 14-40. Grants, gifts and donations; contracts and obligations.

The board of trustees of the county library system may accept any grant, gift, bequest or donation of any personal property offered or made for library purposes and, with the approval of the board of commissioners, may accept any grant, gift or devise of real estate. The board of trustees shall have no authority to enter into any contract or incur any obligation binding the board of commissioners other than for current obligations within the budget appropriations made by the board of commissioners. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 6)

# Sec. 14-41. Appointment of chief librarian; employment of staff.

The board of trustees of the county library system shall have power to appoint and designate a chief librarian who possesses the necessary educational training and who demonstrates by actual work the ability to organize and direct a countywide library system. Such other trained persons as may be necessary in the maintenance and operation of the library system may be employed. (Ord. of 3-17-80, § 7)

**State law reference—**Qualifications of chief librarian, G.S. 153A-267.

# Sec. 14-42. Reports of meetings and copies of minutes submitted to board of commissioners.

The board of trustees of the county library system shall make full and complete reports to the board of commissioners at such times as may be requested and at such other times as the board of trustees deem it proper. Copies of the minutes of all meetings of the board of trustees shall be sent to the board of commissioners.

(Ord. of 3-17-80, § 9)